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STATE OF NEVADA

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY DIVISION OF MORTGAGE LENDING

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In re:

Minelli McDougall,

Respondent.

NOTICE OF INTENT TO REVOKE MORTGAGE AGENT LICENSE,
NOTICE OF INTENT TO IMPOSE FINE AND
NOTICE OF RIGHT TO REQUEST HEARING

The licensing and regulation of mortgage brokers, mortgage bankers and escrow agencies in the State of Nevada is governed by Chapter 645B, Chapter 645E and Chapter 645A of the Nevada Revised Statutes ("NRS"), respectively, and the regulations promulgated thereunder. The State of Nevada, Department of Business and Industry, Division of Mortgage Lending (the "Division") has the general duty to exercise supervision and control over mortgage brokers, mortgage bankers and escrow agencies pursuant to these chapters. Pursuant to that authority, the Division makes the following Factual Allegations, Violations of Law, and Order, as follows:

FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

1. Based upon information and belief, Minelli McDougall (hereinafter "Respondent") was a licensed mortgage agent operating within the State of Nevada. Respondent was issued a mortgage agent's license pursuant to Chapter 645B of the Nevada Revised Statutes on May 30, 2003. The Division classifies Respondent's license as closed as of December 11, 2009.

- 2. Upon information and belief, Respondent was employed with Hotpoint Financial LLC. (hereinafter "Hotpoint"), itself a licensed mortgage broker in the State of Nevada, from May 2008 to February 2009.
 - 3. Respondent was the Branch Manager of Hotpoint.
- 4. Pursuant to NRS 645B.060, the Division is charged with conducting "...such investigations as may be necessary to determine whether any person has violated any provision of this chapter, a regulation adopted pursuant to this chapter or an order of the Commissioner." See, NRS 645B.060(2)(c).
- 5. Pursuant to NRS 645B.060, the Division is further charged with conducting "...such other examinations, periodic or special audits, investigations and hearings as may be necessary and proper for the efficient administration of the laws of this State regarding mortgage brokers and mortgage agents..." <u>See</u>, NRS 645B.060(2)(d)(2)(e).
- 6. On March 24, 2009, a routine examination was conducted at Hotpoint. At that time it was discovered that Respondent had applied for a mortgage loan from Paramount Residential Mortgage Group, Inc. (hereinafter "Lender"). The loan file, however, was missing at the time of the Division's examination.
- 7. When the Division finally retrieved and reviewed the loan file, it was discovered that Respondent may have falsified and/or altered documents provided to the Lender, including at least three checks and/or pay stubs, which misrepresented her income in order to secure a mortgage loan.
- 8. Pursuant to NRS 645B.670, as it existed at the time of the violations herein, "[f]or each violation committed by a mortgage agent, the Commissioner may impose upon the mortgage broker an administrative fine of not more than \$10,000, may suspend, revoke or place conditions upon his license, or may do both, if the mortgage agent, whether or not acting as such...[h]as made a material misrepresentation in connection with any transaction

governed by [NRS 645B]...[or]...[h]as engaged in any other conduct constituting a deceitful, fraudulent or dishonest business practice." <u>See</u> NRS 645B.670(3)(b) and NRS 645B.670(3)(h), respectively.

9. After conducting further investigation and reviewing the available material in this matter, the Division determined that Respondent falsified and/or altered documents provided to the Lender, including at least three checks and/or pay stubs, which misrepresented her income in order to secure a mortgage loan. Thus, Respondent made at least three material misrepresentations in connection with a transaction governed by NRS 645B and/or engaged in three counts of conduct constituting a deceitful, fraudulent or dishonest business practice.

VIOLATIONS OF LAW

1. After investigating this matter, the Division has determined that Respondent, through the falsification and/or alteration of at least three different and/or separate documents submitted to the Lender in order to obtain a mortgage loan, made at least three material misrepresentations in connection with any transaction governed by NRS 645B and engaged in other conduct constituting three counts of deceitful, fraudulent or dishonest business practice in violation of NRS 645B.670(3)(b) and NRS 645B.670(3)(h), respectively.

<u>ORDER</u>

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COMMISSIONER OF THE DIVISION HEREBY ORDERS, pursuant to NRS 645B.750, upon written application to the Division within twenty (20) days of the date of this Order, Respondent shall be entitled to a hearing with regards to the contents of this Order referenced below. At that hearing the Division will seek:

- 1. The revocation of Respondent's mortgage agent license for Respondent's multiple violations of Chapter 645B of NRS;
- 2. The imposition of an administrative fine against Respondent in the amount of Five Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$5,000.00) for Respondent's multiple violations of Chapter

645B of NRS, the Division's investigative costs in the amount of Three Hundred Sixty Dollars and No Cents (\$360.00), as well as the Division's attorney's fees, if any, incurred herein, to be proven at the hearing; and

3. Respondent's payment, in full, of the administrative fine, investigative costs as well as the costs and fees to the Division within **thirty (30) days** of entry of the Final Order.

Should Respondent not request a hearing within twenty (20) days of the date of this Order, the Division will enter a Final Order in this matter against respondent, as required by NRS 645B.750(2).

Dated this 2/7 day of February, 2010.

State of Nevada
Department of Business and Industry
Division of Mortgage Lending

Joseph L. Waltuch, Commissioner

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I certify that I am an employee of the State of Nevada, Department of Business and Industry, Division of Mortgage Lending, and that on , February 25, 2010, I deposited in the U.S. mail, postage prepaid via First Class Mail and Certified Return Receipt Requested, a true and correct copy of the foregoing, NOTICE OF INTENT TO REVOKE MORTGAGE AGENT LICENSE, NOTICE OF INTENT TO IMPOSE FINE AND NOTICE OF RIGHT TO REQUEST HEARING for MINELLI MCDOUGALL, addressed as follows:

Minelli McDougall 3007 Hardin Drive Henderson, NV 89074

Certified Receipt Number: 7008 1830 0002 7959 5673

DATED this 25th day of February, 2010

By: Employee of the Division